

Optometry as practiced in the 1900's



Main Street New Holland in 1904



Main Street New Holland in 1906



Below: The west main street block in 1906 where Optometric Associates is today!



Stauffer's Drug Store opened in 1896. They are still open today, and have five generations of family pharmacists! This is a photo of their store in 1908.



The New Holland Machine Company was a staple of new holland for many years. It was founded in 1985 and closed in 1992. At its beginning, they employed 40 people. Their work included manufacturing of six different types of “hit or miss” engines and feed grinders.



The property at 117 West Main Street, New Holland, PA 17557:

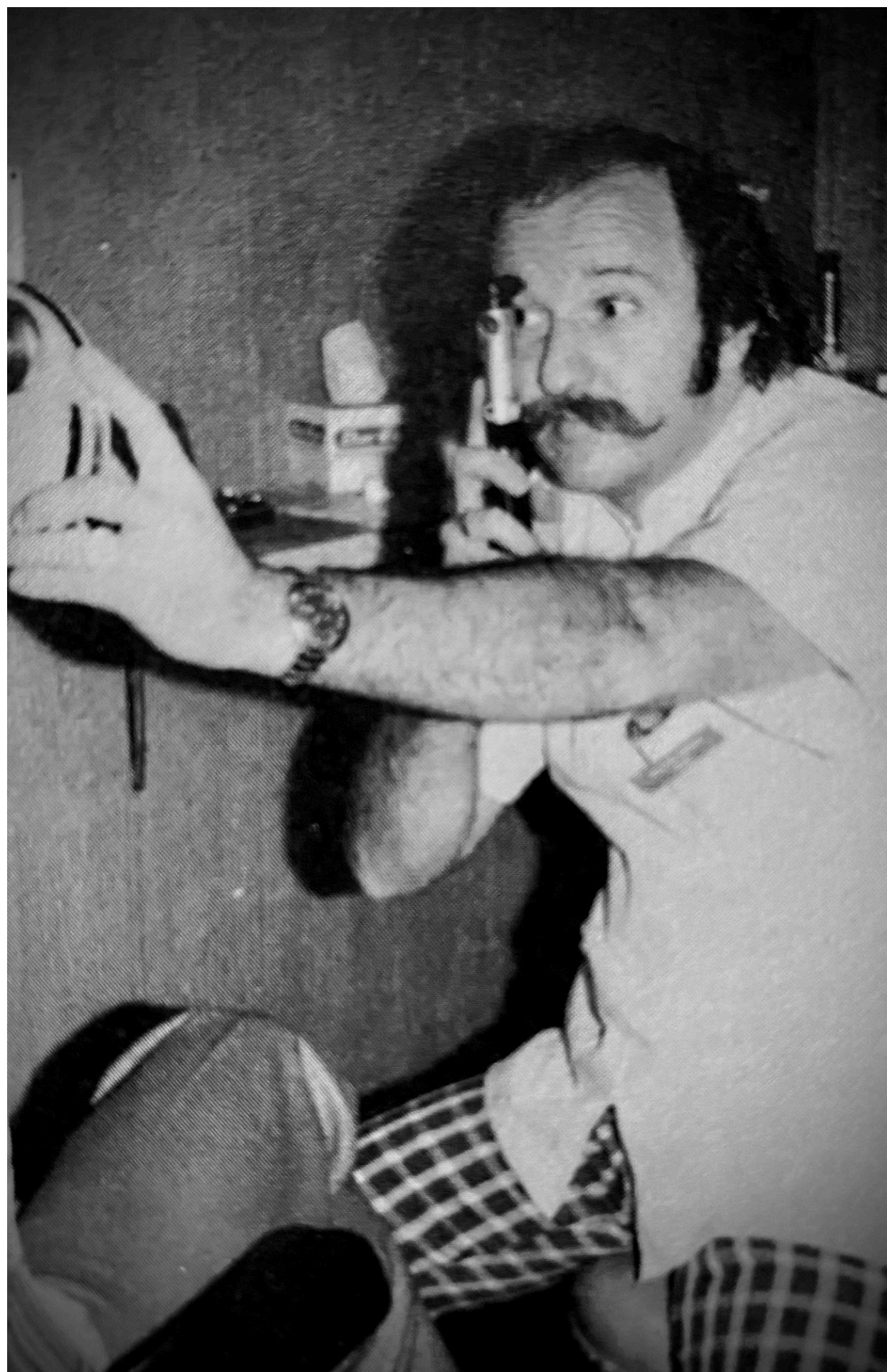
The original deed of the property dates back to 1785 when a Henry Grim purchased one of the original 26 lots. Later after several changes of ownership, in 1878 Peter Eaby acquired the property for \$900. Eaby was a retired farmer from Beartown who decided to live his twilight years in New Holland. He built the building in 1878, and the well-built two story brick house (that still stands) was first occupied by the Eaby's in March of 1879. Later the property was bought and sold multiple times, until Dr. Barr bought the property for \$15,000.00 in 1954.

Barr opened an optometrist's office in the building. Barr sold the property to Ruth Lapp in 1981 for \$88,000.00. She then rented the office space to two young optometrists, Dr. Wolfram Andrews and Dr. Jay Stoltzfus starting in May of 1981. After some extensive remodeling, Drs.

Wolfram Andrews and Jay Stoltzfus bought the property for \$99,000.00. The Andrews/Stoltzfus partnership DBA "Optometric Associates" continued the practice there and when Dr. Jay Stoltzfus retired in 2014, Dr. Wolfram Andrews continued as sole proprietor.



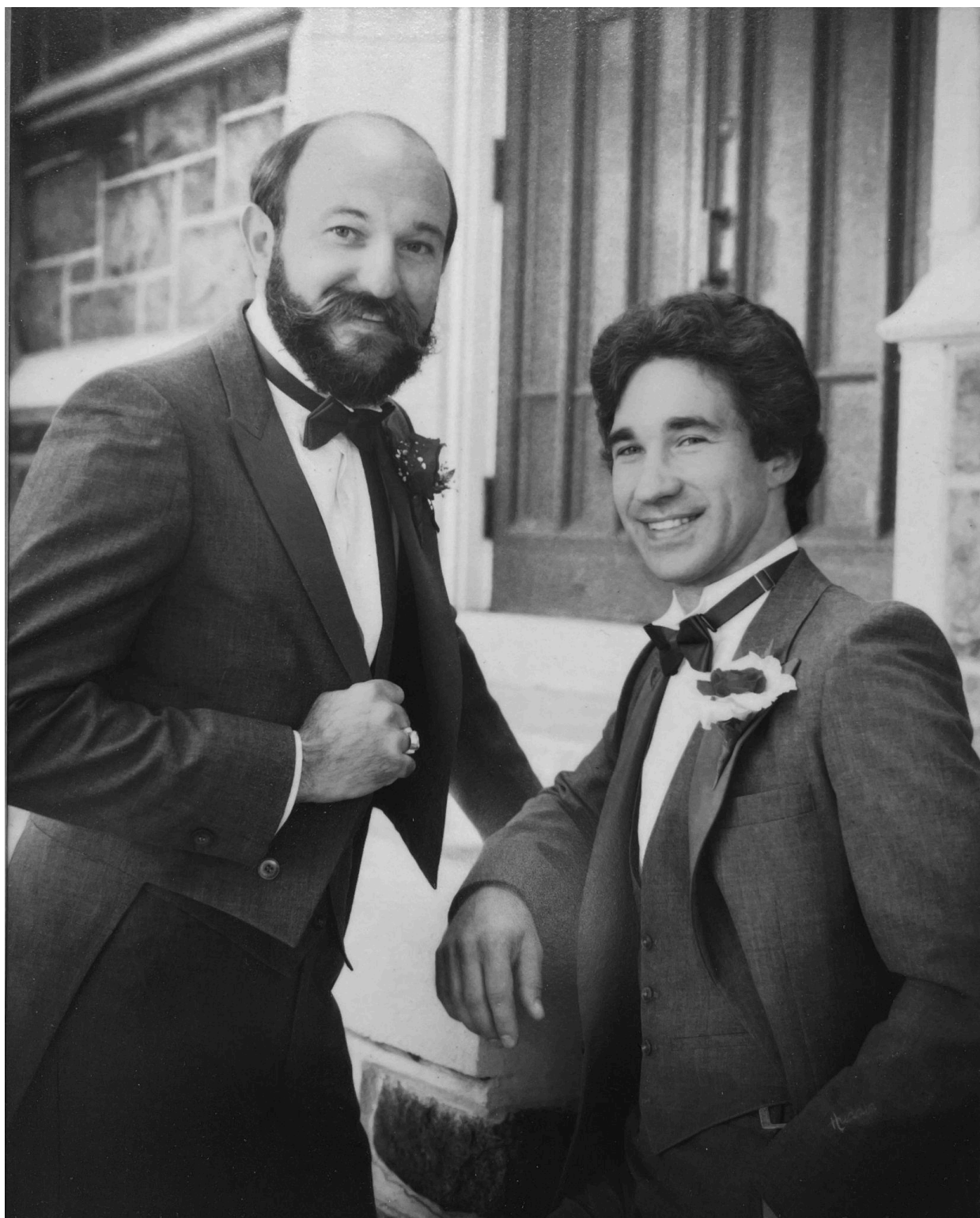
Dr. Wolfram Andrews training at the Pennsylvania College of Optometry between 1972 and 1976:



Dr. Wolfram Andrews trains in a lab in 1974 at Pennsylvania College of Optometry



Dr. Wolfram Andrews and Dr. Jay Stoltzfus opened their eye care office in May 1981, after the building was vacant for some time since Dr. Barr's retirement.



Optometric Associates - founded in 1981. Main street view.



Dr. Jonathan Andrews training in school at The Ohio State University, graduate of the class of 2014.



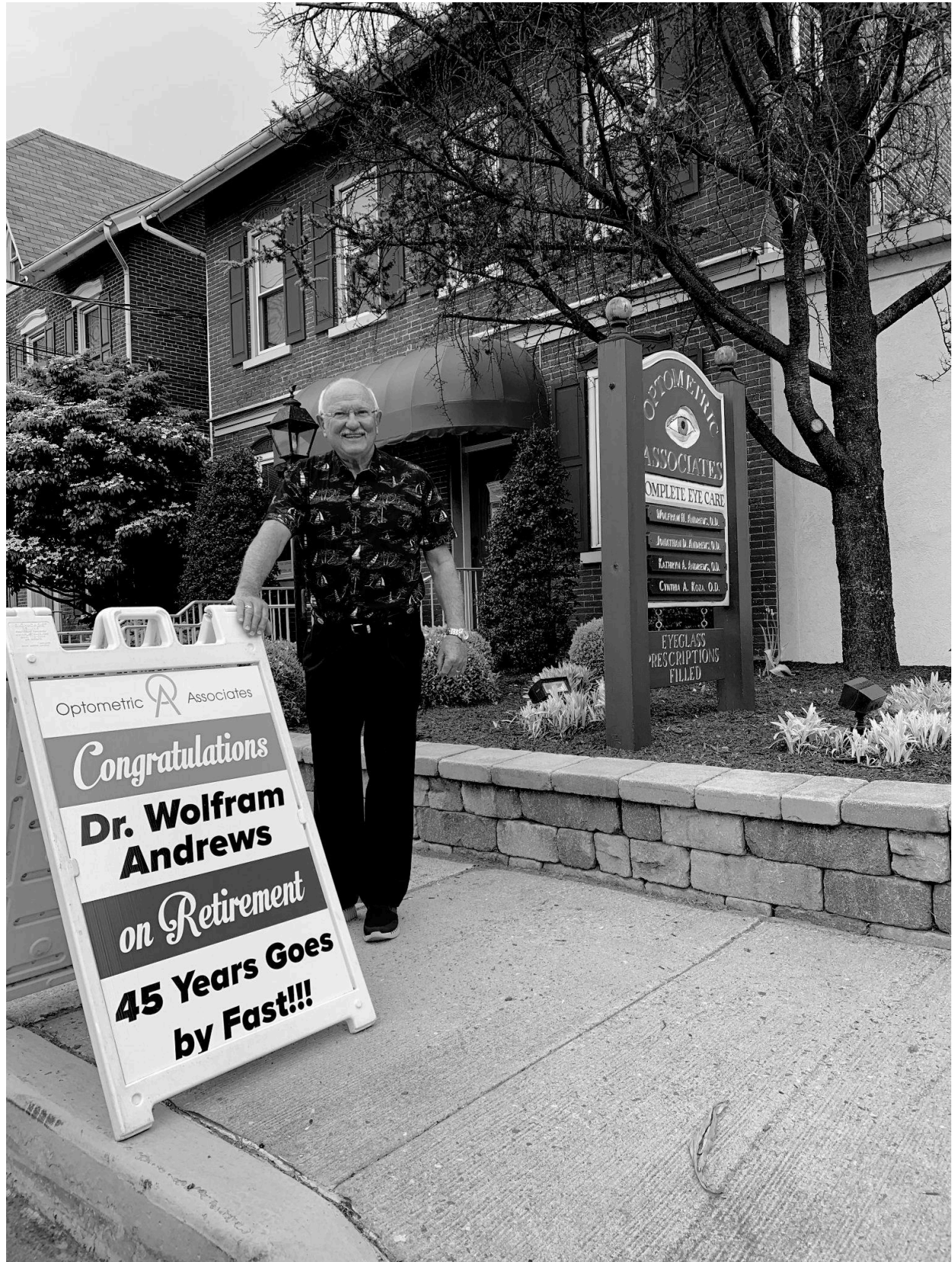
Dr. Jonathan Andrews graduated president of his class in 2014 ***NEED BETTER PICTURE BELOW



Dr. Jonathan Andrews bought his father's share in the practice in 2018.



Dr. Wolfram Andrews retired in May, 2021 after a 45 year career!

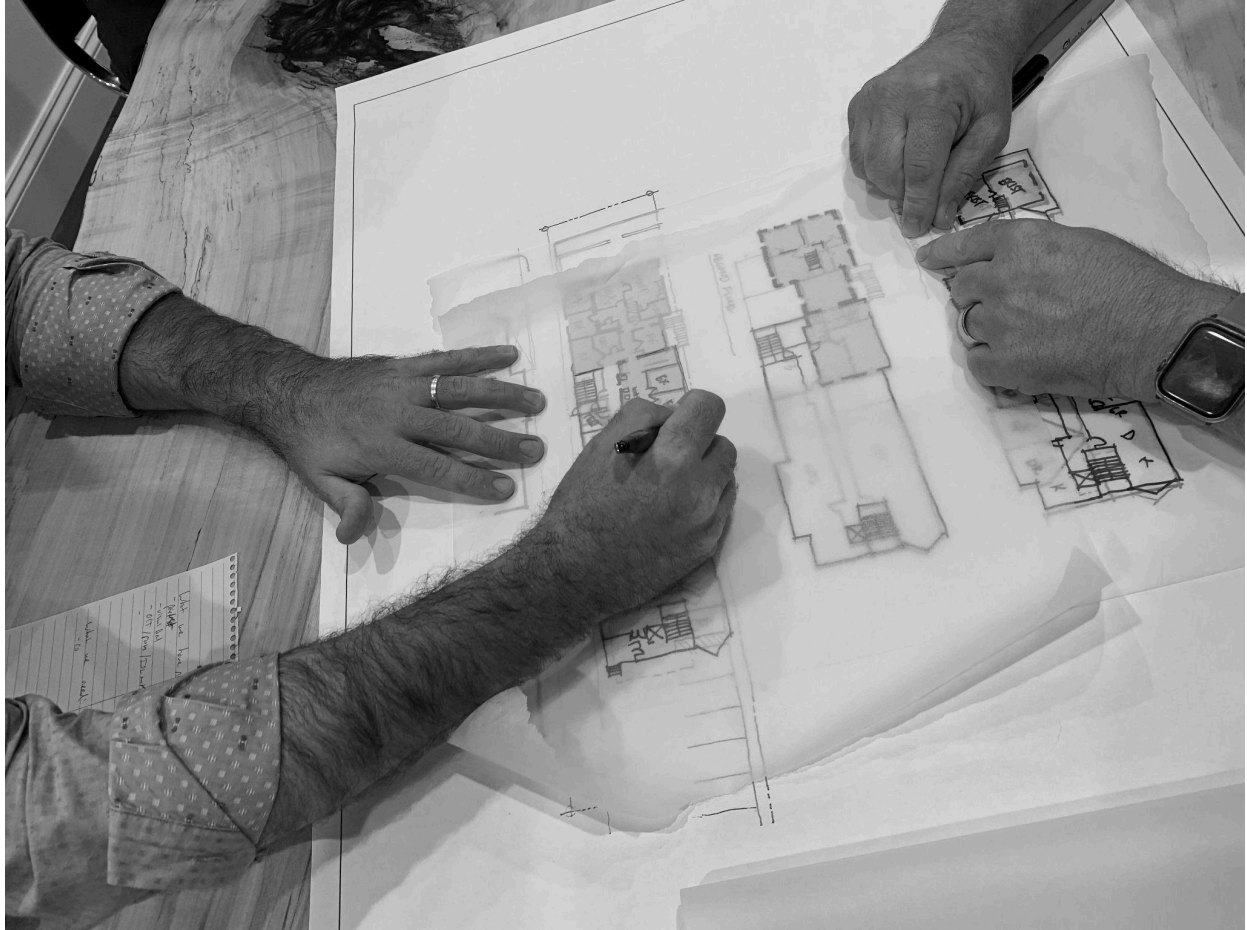


Dr. Wolfram Andrews celebrates retirement!



In 2021, the property was sold to Dr. Jonathan Andrews and underwent construction to preserve the main street facing facade while improving office functionality.





New building construction starting in May of 2022



Construction progress in May and June of 2023



Drs. Jonathan and Kathryn admire the progress of the “New Building” in July of 2023 with their son, William.



Pictures of the new remodel of 2023:



Dr. Jonathan Andrews walks into the first day of work in the “New Building” December 11th, 2023:



Optometric Associates is committed to providing unparalleled eye care services tailored to the unique needs of each individual. With a team of dedicated physicians and staff, we strive to create a warm and welcoming clinic environment where every patient feels valued and understood.

At Optometric Associates, we prioritize building lasting relationships with our patients, taking the time to get to know them personally in order to deliver customized examinations and treatment options. Our comprehensive eye care services encompass everything from pediatric to adult eye exams, and the management of every type of eye disease.



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